

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-11 (Cancelled)

12. (New) A computer system comprising:

a network port operable to receive configuration parameters corresponding to customization information specified in a customer order;

a configuration mechanism coupled to the network port, the configuration mechanism being operable to store the configuration parameters received via the network port; and

a data storage device in communication with the configuration mechanism, the data storage device comprising a first partition including a first operating system and a second partition including a second operating system,

wherein, in response to initiation of a boot process, the computer system first boots to the second partition to execute the second operating system which causes the first operating system in the first partition to be customized according to the configuration parameters stored in the configuration mechanism, and

wherein, upon completion of the customization of the first operating system, the computer system boots to the first partition and executes the first operating system.

13. (New) The computer system of claim 12, wherein the network port and the configuration mechanism are part of an adapter.

14. (New) The computer system of claim 13, wherein the adapter is a peripheral component interconnect (PCI) adapter.

15. (New) The computer system of claim 12, wherein the configuration parameters are received from a remote server.

16. (New) The computer system of claim 12, wherein the network port is connected to a dedicated local area network (LAN).

17. (New) The computer system of claim 12, wherein the configuration parameters comprise a computer name, a host name, a host IP address, a host gateway, or a host subnet.